Transit Implementation Board Quad Party Amendment

State Transportation Board November 18, 2009





- Established in January 2009
- Mission to guide development of regional transit vision
- Currently an Ad-hoc Committee of the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC)

What is the Quad Party Amendment?

- Memorandum of Agreement that defines the Transportation Planning Process in the Atlanta Region
- Signed by:
 - MARTA (1970s)
 - ARC (1970s)
 - GDOT (1970s)
 - GRTA (2000s)



What does the Quad Party Agreement do?

- Defines roles and responsibilities of agencies in the transportation planning process (i.e. Role of GRTA, MARTA, ARC, GDOT)
- Defines the process for how projects become incorporated into the federally recognized Atlanta transportation plan



Why do we need to amend the Quad Party Agreement?

- Need to formalize role of Transit Implementation Board into Transportation Planning Process:
 - Forum for Regional Coordination
 - Forum for Regional Cooperation
 - Forum for Developing Consensus Vision for Transit Across entire Atlanta Region
- Need to formalize / recognize increasingly complex transit organizational Issues (i.e. we have 6 public and numerous shuttle operators)



How do we amend the Quad Party Agreement?

- On Sept. 23, TIB recommended amending Quad Party agreement through adoption of amendment by ARC, GDOT, GRTA, and MARTA to create a Regional Transit Committee
- Resolution authorizes Commissioner to sign amendment



What is the language of the Quad Party Amendment

- Add Section IV.B.7 (Roles and responsibilities of Georgia Regional Transportation Authority) *
 - Regional Transit Coordination Support the activities of the Regional Transit Committee as described in the Transit Implementation Board Resolution (Attachment A) adopted on September 23, 2009, as amended as needed from time to time
- Add Section V.C Transit Committee Structure
 - Transit governance is provided by a Regional Transit Committee (TPB) of ARC and associated technical committees as described in Transit Implementation Board Resolution (Attachment A) adopted on September 23, 2009, as amended as needed from time to time



^{*} Similar language of Amendments for ARC, MARTA, and GRTA included in your package

Summary

- TIB has recommended formalizing existing ad-hoc processes and procedures on transit governance using the Quad Party Agreement
- GDOT is one of the four parties to the Quad Party Agreement

Potential Adoption Schedule

- October 9 First Read of Resolution at Transportation Coordinating Committee (TCC)
- October 15 ARC: First Read at Transportation Air Quality Committee (TAQC)
- October 26 MARTA: Consideration by Planning and Development Committee
- November 6 ARC: Consideration by TCC
- November 9 MARTA: Consideration by MARTA Board
- November 10 GRTA: Consideration by GRTA Committees and Board
- November 12 ARC: Consideration by TAQC
- November 18 GDOT: Consideration by GDOT Intermodal Committee
- November 19 GDOT: Consideration by GDOT Board
- December 2 ARC: Consideration by ARC Board



Questions?